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REMARKS

Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of claims 4 and 22, and the indication that claim 2 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

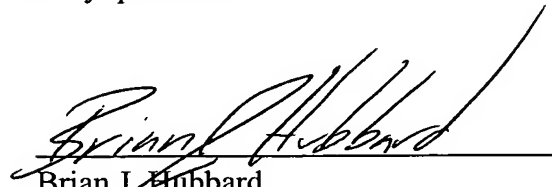
Claims 2, 4, 7-11, 15-22, and 24-25 are pending. Claims 1, 3, 5, 6, 13, 14, and 23 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 2 has been rewritten, but not with all the former limitations of now canceled Claim 1. Claims 7-11, 15-17, and 24-25 have been amended to depend from an existing claim.

Withdrawn Claim 23 has been canceled, and thus the restriction is moot. A suitable divisional application will be filed if desired.

Due to the cancellation of independent claim 1 and the amendment or cancellation of the claims dependent thereupon, all rejections are moot. Thus, Applicant need not address Pechhold, Soane, Wang, CA 942900, the Encyclopedia, or Kubo, except to say that the present amendments are made only to hasten allowance of claims covering an important product, and that the references can be overcome during prosecution of a continuation application.

The Examiner is encouraged to call if she has any questions.

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